



STATE OF WASHINGTON
Washington State Department of Health
SOLE SOURCE NOTICE

The Washington State Department of Health (DOH) contemplates awarding a sole source contract to Ahlers & Associates to maintain a database to collect and report Sexual & Reproductive Health Program (SRHP) data provided by SRHP direct service contractors and to provide technical assistance and training to the department and SRHP direct service contractors on collecting and reporting this data. Each of the SRHP direct service contractors must transfer data from their electronic health records (EHR) systems in a secure manner. Each has modified their EHR to make this transfer to Ahlers & Associates. We have contracted with Ahlers & Associates since 2013 in this capacity. Changing data contractors would require that each contractor spend staff time and funds to re-modify their EHRs. This would result in less funding available to deliver sexual and reproductive health services.

The contract will be issued on or about March 2nd, 2021 for ***a Sixteen (16) month period, with the option to extend the contract for a total of two (2) times, for a maximum of 40 months for the contract period.*** The contract value is estimated to not exceed **\$104,800.**

DOH found the Contractor can meet the following qualifications: Collect, maintain, and report Sexual and Reproductive Health Program required data from Sixteen (16) different health care organizations (87 clinics) in a manner that complies with Washington State, federal Title X, HIPPA requirements. Provide technical assistance to the Washington State Department of Health, each of our Sixteen (16) health organizations and their **87** clinics to ensure accurate data is collected and reported efficiently. Provide a variety of reports that display data according to specific demographics and for user-designated timeframes. Provide for export of user-designated timeframes of data in csv format in a manner that allows further analysis.

Interested firms will be considered only if they respond with clear and convincing documentation that they are capable of meeting the requirements stated herein, and that competition would be advantageous to the State, would not be cost or time prohibitive, and would not hinder the mission objective of the Department of Health.

In the absence of other qualified sources, it is the state's intent to make a sole source award of the contract.

Note: This contract is required to be filed with the Department of Enterprise Services (DES) for approval under the provisions of Chapter 39.26 RCW. No contract or amendment required to be so filed is effective and no work shall commence or be payment made until ten (10) working days following the date of filing, and, if required, until approved by DES. In the event DES fails to approve the contract or amendment, the contract shall be null and void.

Offerors contemplating the above requirements are required to submit capability statements detailing their ability to meet the state's requirements within **five (5) calendar days** of this announcement. In the absence of other qualified sources, it is the state's intent to make a sole source award of the contract.

To submit capability statements, request a copy of the proposed contract or for questions, contact:

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